

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Malcolm M. Smith  
Serial No: 09/752,876  
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Group Art Unit: 2616  
Examiner: Clemence S. Han  
Title: DISTRIBUTION OF PACKETS TO FOREIGN  
AGENTS USING MULTICAST PROTOCOLS

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**Response Accompanying Request for Continued Examination**

The Examiner issued an Advisory Action regarding the above-identified patent application in which the Examiner upheld certain rejections of Claims 1-3, 5-12, 14-20, 22, 23, 25-31 and 33-37. Applicant respectfully requests continued examination to allow the Examiner to reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the following amendments and remarks. Please amend the Application as follows.